

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

In preparation for Sunday, April 3, 2022

Passage: Isaiah 4:2-6

Memory Passage: Isaiah 4:2

DAY 1 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Isaiah 4:2-6.** In what ways do vs. 2-6 present a reversal of what has come before (e.g., “the daughters of Zion” in 3:16ff compared to 4:4, and there are several more)?

(b) What is different about the events described in 4:2-6 as happening “in that day” compared to the events described in 2:6-4:1 which will occur “in that day” (cf. 2:6, 11, 12, 17, 20; 3:7, 18; 4:1).

(c) To what or whom does “the branch” refer (cf. 11:1; Jer. 23:5; 33:15; Zech. 3:8; 6:12)? Does your answer explain the parallelism found in the phrase “the fruit of the land?” In other words, does the fact that the term refers to the Messiah in the verses listed above necessitate that it refers to the Messiah in 4:2, or does it refer to something else? Explain your answer.

DAY 2 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Is. 4:2-6.** In what ways is the branch of Yahweh “beautiful and glorious” (v. 2)?

(b) Who are “the survivors of Israel” (v. 2), and what have they survived?

(c) In what ways will the fruit of the land “be the pride and honor” of these survivors (v. 2)?

(d) Are those “left in Zion” and who “remain in Jerusalem” (v. 3) the same as the survivors in v. 2? Explain.

DAY 3 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Is. 4:2-6.** To what does “spirit” in its 2 occurrences (v. 4) refer?

(b) Explain what “a spirit of judgment” and “a spirit of fire” mean and how they provide the “holy” (v. 3) status of the daughters of Zion.

(c) Who provides the cleansing and hope in these verses? What do the daughters of Zion do to receive their new status?

(d) In what way have these survivors “been recorded for life?” To what does this phrase refer?

DAY 4 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Is. 4:2-6.** Of what do the images in v. 5 remind you (cf. Ex. 13:2-22; 40:34-38)?

(b) The Hebrew word translated “canopy” occurs only 2 other times in the OT (Ps. 19:5 & Joel 2:16). What does this tell you about its meaning here?

(c) Explain in detail what God promises to accomplish in and for His people in 4:5-6 “in that day.”

(d) What must happen to God’s people for these promises to take effect?

DAY 5 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Is. 4:2-6.** Write down at least 3 ways 4:2-6 encourage you in your faith.

(b) Write down at least 3 ways 4:2-6 challenges you to “walk in a manner worthy of your calling” (Eph. 4:1).

(c) Write down at least 3 ways 4:2-6 brings you to a better understanding of God, His character, and His work in Christ.

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The Glorious Branch